

## Unit 7

# Linear Equations And Inequalities

### EXERCISE 7.1

**Q1. Solve the following equations.**

(i)  $\frac{2}{3}x - \frac{1}{2}x = x + \frac{1}{6}$

**Solution:**

Multiplying both sides by 6 we get

$$4x - 3x = 6x + 1$$

$$x = 6x + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow -5x = -\frac{1}{5}$$

$$\text{Solution set} = \left\{-\frac{1}{5}\right\}$$

(ii)  $\frac{x-3}{3} - \frac{x-2}{2} = -1$

**Solution:**

Multiplying both sides by 6 we get

$$2(x-3) - 3(x-2) = -6$$

$$2x - 6 - 3x + 6 = -6$$

$$-x = -6$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 6$$

Solution set = 6

(iii)  $\frac{1}{2}\left(x - \frac{1}{6}\right) + \frac{2}{3} = \frac{5}{6} + \frac{1}{3}\left(\frac{1}{2} - 3x\right)$

**Solution:**

$$\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{6x-1}{6}\right) + \frac{2}{3} = \frac{5}{6} + \frac{1}{3}\left(\frac{1-6x}{2}\right)$$

Or  $\frac{6x-1}{12} + \frac{2}{3} = \frac{5}{6} + \frac{1-6x}{6}$

Multiplying both sides by 12

$$6x - 1 + 8 = 10 + 2 - 12x$$

$$6x + 12x = 10 + 2 + 1 - 8$$

$$18x = 5$$

$$x = \frac{5}{18}$$

$$\text{Solution set} = \left\{\frac{5}{18}\right\}$$

(iv)  $x + \frac{1}{3} = 2\left(x - \frac{2}{3}\right) - 6x$

**Solution:**

$$\frac{3x+1}{3} = 2\left(\frac{3x-2}{3}\right) - 6x$$

$$3x + 1 = 2(3x - 2) - 18x$$

$$3x + 1 = 6x - 4 - 18x$$

$$3x - 6x + 18x = -4 - 1$$

$$15x = -5$$

$$x = \frac{-5}{15} = -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$\text{Solution set} = \left\{-\frac{1}{3}\right\}$$

(v)  $\frac{5(x-3)}{6} - x = 1 - \frac{x}{9}$

**Solution:**

Multiplying both sides by 18 we get

$$15(x - 3) - 18x = 18 - 2x$$

Or

$$15x - 45 - 18x = 18 - 2x$$

$$15x - 18x + 2x = 18 + 45$$

$$-x = 63$$

$$x = -63$$

$$\text{Solution set} = \{-63\}$$

(vi)  $\frac{x}{3x-6} = 2 - \frac{2x}{x-2}, x \neq 2$

**Solution:**

Multiplying both sides by  $3x - 6 = 3(x - 2)$ , we get

$$x = 2(3x - 6) - 3(2x)$$

$$x = 6x - 12 - 6x$$

$$x = -12$$

$$\text{Solution set} = \{-12\}$$

(vii)  $\frac{2x}{2x+5} = \frac{2}{3} - \frac{5}{4x+10}, x \neq -\frac{5}{2}$

**Solution:**

$$\frac{2x}{2x+5} = \frac{2}{3} - \frac{5}{2(2x+5)}$$

Multiplying both sides by  $6(2x + 5)$  we get

$$6(2x) = 4(2x + 5) - 15$$

$$12x = 8x + 20 - 15$$

Or

$$x = \frac{5}{4}$$

So solution set =  $\left\{\frac{5}{4}\right\}$

(viii)  $\frac{2x}{x-1} + \frac{1}{3} = \frac{5}{6} + \frac{2}{x-1} \quad x \neq 1$

**Solution:**

Multiplying both sides by  $6(x-1)$  we get

$$6(2x) + 2(x-1) = 5(x-1) + 2(6)$$

or  $12x + 12 - 2 = 5x - 5 + 12$

$$14x - 5x = -5 + 12 + 2$$

$$9x = 9$$

$$x = 1$$

But it is given that  $x \neq 1$

So the equation has no solution =  $\{ \}$

(ix)  $\frac{2}{x^2-1} - \frac{1}{x+1} = \frac{1}{x+1}, \quad x \neq \pm 1$

**Solution:**

Multiplying both sides by  $x^2 - 1$

$$2 - (x-1) = x-1$$

$$2 - x + 1 = x - 1$$

$$-x - x = -1 - 2 - 1$$

$$-2x = -4$$

$$x = 2$$

So solution set =  $\{2\}$

(x)  $\frac{2}{3x+6} = \frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{2x+4}, \quad x \neq -2$

**Solution:**

$$\frac{2}{3x+6} = \frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{2(x+2)}$$

Multiplying both sides by  $6(x+2)$  we get

$$2(2) = (x+2) - 3$$

$$4 = x + 2 - 3$$

$$4 = x - 1$$

$$x = 5$$

Solution set =  $\{5\}$

**Q2. Solve each equation and check for extraneous solution, if any.**

**Extraneous solution:**

When raising each side of the equation to a certain power may produce a nonequivalent equation that has more solutions than the original equation. These additional solutions

are called extraneous solutions. We must check our answer(s) for such solutions when working with radical equations.

(i)  $\sqrt{3x + 4} = 2$

**Solution:**

Taking square of both sides

$$3x + 4 = 4$$

$$3x = 4 - 4$$

$$3x = 0$$

Or  $x = 0$

$\therefore$  Solution set =  $\{0\}$

(ii)  $\sqrt[3]{2x - 4} - 2 = 0$

**Solution:**

$$\sqrt[3]{2x - 4} = 2$$

Taking cube of both sides

$$2x - 4 = 2^3 = 8$$

Or  $2x = 8 + 4$

$$2x = 12$$

Or  $x = 6$

$\therefore$  Solution set =  $\{6\}$

(iii)  $\sqrt{x - 3} - 7 = 0$

**Solution:**

$\therefore \sqrt{x - 3} = 7$

Taking square of both sides

$$x - 3 = 49$$

$\Rightarrow x = 49 + 3$

Or  $x = 52$

$\therefore$  Solution set =  $\{52\}$

(iv)  $2\sqrt{t + 4} = 5$

**Solution:**

Taking square of both sides

$$4(t + 4) = 25$$

$$4t + 16 = 25$$

$$4t = 25 - 16 = 9$$

$$t = \left\{\frac{9}{4}\right\}$$

$$\text{Solution set} = \left\{\frac{9}{4}\right\}$$

(v)  $\sqrt[3]{2x+3} = \sqrt[3]{x-2}$

**Solution:**

Taking cube of both sides

$$2x + 3 = x - 2$$

$$2x - x = -2 - 3$$

$$x = -5$$

∴ Solution set =  $\{-5\}$

(vi)  $\sqrt[3]{2-t} = \sqrt[3]{2t-28}$

**Solution:**

Taking cube on both sides

$$2 - t = 2t - 28$$

$$-t - 2t = -28 - 2$$

$$-3t = -30$$

$$t = 10$$

∴ Solution set =  $\{10\}$

(vii)  $\sqrt{2t+6} - \sqrt{2t-5} = 0$

**Solution:**

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{2t+6} = \sqrt{2t-5}$$

Taking Square of both sides

$$2t + 6 = 2t - 5$$

$$11 = 0 \quad \text{which is not possible}$$

Solution set =  $\{\}$  or  $\phi$

(viii)  $\sqrt{\frac{x+1}{2x+5}} = 2 \quad x \neq \frac{5}{2}$

**Solution:**

Squaring both sides

$$\frac{x+1}{2x+5} = 4$$

$$x + 1 = 4(2x + 5)$$

$$\Rightarrow x - 1 = 8x + 20$$

$$\Rightarrow x - 8x = 20 - 1$$

$$-7x = 19$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -\frac{19}{7}$$

∴ Solution set =  $\left\{-\frac{19}{7}\right\}$

## EXERCISE 7.2

**Q1. Identify the following statements as True or False.**

- (i)  $|x| = 0$  has only one solution.
- (ii) All absolute value equations have two solutions.
- (iii) The equation  $|x| = 2$  is equivalent to  $x = 2$  or  $x = -2$ .
- (iv) The equation  $|x - 4| = -4$  has no solution.
- (v) The equation  $|2x - 3| = 5$  is equivalent to  $2x - 3 = 5$  or  $2x + 3 = 5$ .

**Answers:**

(i) T	(ii) F	(iii) T	(iv) T	(v) F
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**Q2. Solve for  $x$ .**

(i)  $|3x - 5| = 4$

**Solution:**

The equation is equivalent to

$$3x - 5 = 4 \quad \text{Or} \quad 3x - 5 = -4$$

$$3x = 9 \quad \text{Or} \quad 3x = 1$$

$$x = 3 \quad \text{Or} \quad x = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\text{Solution set} = \left\{ 3, \frac{1}{3} \right\}$$

(ii)  $\frac{1}{2}|3x + 2| - 4 = 11$

**Solution:**

$$\frac{1}{2}|3x + 2| = 15$$

$$|3x + 2| = 30$$

The equation is equivalent to

$$3x + 2 = 30 \quad \text{or} \quad 3x + 2 = -30$$

$$x = 30 - 2 \quad \text{or} \quad 3x = -30 - 2$$

$$3x = 28 \quad \text{or} \quad 3x = -32$$

$$x = \frac{28}{3} \quad \text{or} \quad x = -\frac{32}{3}$$

$$\text{Solution set} = \left\{ \frac{28}{3}, -\frac{32}{3} \right\}$$

(iii)  $|3x + 5| = 11$

**Solution:**

The given equation is equivalent to

$$2x + 5 = \pm 11$$

i.e.  $2x + 5 = 11 \quad \text{or} \quad 2x + 5 = -11$

$$2x = 6$$

or

$$2x = -16$$

$$x = 3$$

or

$$x = -8$$

∴ Solution set =  $\{-8, 3\}$

(iv)  $|3 + 2x| = |6x - 7|$

**Solution:**

The given equation is equivalent to

$$3 + 2x = \pm(6x - 7)$$

i.e.  $3 + 2x = 6x - 7$

or

$$3 + 2x = -6(6x - 7)$$

i.e.  $2x - 6x = -7$

or

$$2x + 6x = 7 - 3$$

i.e.  $-4x = -10$

or

$$8x = 4$$

$$x = \frac{5}{2}$$

or

$$x = \frac{1}{2}$$

Solution set  $\left\{\frac{5}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right\}$

(v)  $|x + 2| - 3 = 5 - |x + 2|$

**Solution:**

$$\Rightarrow |x + 2| + |x + 2| = 5 + 3$$

$$2|x + 2| = 8$$

$$|x + 2| = 4$$

This equation is equivalent to

$$x + 2 = 4$$

or

$$x + 2 = -4$$

$$x = 2$$

or

$$x = -6$$

Solution set =  $\{2, -6\}$

(vi)  $\frac{1}{2}|x + 3| + 21 = 9$

**Solution:**

$$\frac{1}{2}|x + 3| = 9 - 21 = -12$$

$$|x + 3| = -6$$

Which is not possible

Since the absolute value of non-zero integer is always positive.

Solution set =  $\{\}$  or  $\phi$

(vii)  $\left|\frac{3x-5}{4}\right| - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{2}{3}$

**Solution:**

$$\left|\frac{3-5x}{4}\right| = \frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{3} = 1$$

The given equation is equivalent to

$$\left|\frac{3-5x}{4}\right| = \pm 1$$

or  $3 - 5x = \pm 4$

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{i.e.} & 3 - 5x = 4 \\ & -5x = 4 \\ & -5x = 1 \\ & x = -\frac{1}{5} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{ll} \text{or} & 3 - 5x = -4 \\ & -5x = -4 - 3 \\ & -5x = -7 \\ & x = \frac{7}{5} \end{array}$$

$$\text{Solution set} = \left\{ -\frac{1}{5}, \frac{7}{5} \right\}$$

(viii)  $\left| \frac{x+5}{2-x} \right| = 6$

**Solution:**

The given equation is equivalent to

$$\frac{x+5}{2-x} = \pm 6$$

i.e.  $x + 5 = \pm 6(2 - x)$

i.e.  $x + 5 = 6(2 - x)$

or  $x + 5 = -6(2 - x)$

$$x + 5 = 12 - 6x$$

$$x + 6x = 12 - 5$$

$$x = 7$$

$$x = 1$$

$$\text{or } x + 5 = -12 - 5$$

$$\text{or } x - 6x = -12 - 5$$

$$\text{or } -5x = -17$$

$$\text{or } x = \frac{17}{5}$$

$$\text{Solution set} = \left\{ 1, \frac{17}{5} \right\}$$

## EXERCISE 7.3

**Q1. Solve the following inequalities.**

(i)  $3x + 1 < 5x - 4$

**Solution:**

$$3x - 5x < -4 - 1$$

$$-2x < -5$$

$$-2x > 5$$

$$x > \frac{5}{2}$$

$$\text{Solution set is } \left\{ x \mid x > \frac{5}{2} \right\}$$

(ii)  $4x - 10.3 \leq 21x - 1.8$

**Solution:**

$$4x - 21x \leq -1.8 + 10.3$$

$$17x \leq 8.5$$

$$x \geq -0.5$$

$$\text{Solution set is } \{x \mid x \geq -0.5\}$$



(iii)  $4 - \frac{1}{2}x \geq -7 + \frac{1}{4}x$

**Solution:**

$$-\frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{4}x \geq -7 - 4$$

$$-\frac{3}{4}x \geq -11$$

$$\frac{3}{4}x \leq 11$$

Or  $x \leq \frac{44}{3}$

$\therefore$  Solution set is  $\left\{x \mid x \leq \frac{44}{3}\right\}$

(iv)  $x - 2(5 - 2x) \geq 6x - 3\frac{1}{2}$

**Solution:**

$$x - 0 + 4x \geq 10 - \frac{7}{2}$$

$$5x - 6x \geq 10 - \frac{7}{2}$$

$$-x \geq \frac{13}{2}$$

$$-x \geq 6.5$$

$$x \leq -6.5$$

Solution set is  $\{x \mid x \leq -6.5\}$

(v)  $\frac{3x+2}{9} - \frac{2x+1}{3} > -1$

**Solution:**

Multiplying both sides by 9

$$3x + 2 - 3(2x + 1) > -9$$

$$3x + 2 - 6x - 3 > -9$$

$$3x - 6x > -9 - 2 + 3$$

$$-3x < -8$$

$$3x < 8$$

$$x < \frac{8}{3}$$

Solution set  $\left\{x \mid x < \frac{8}{3}\right\}$

(vi)  $3(2x + 1) - 2(2x + 5) < 5(3x - 2)$

**Solution:**

$$6x + 3 - 4x - 10 < 15x - 10$$

$$2x - 7 < 15x - 10$$

$$2x - 15x < -10 + 7$$

$$-13x < -3$$

$$x > \frac{3}{13}$$

$$\text{Solution set } \left\{ x \mid x > \frac{3}{13} \right\}$$

**(vii)**  $3(x - 1) - (x - 2) > -2(x + 4)$

**Solution:**

$$3x - 3 - x + 2 > -2x - 8$$

$$2x - 1 > -2x - 8$$

$$2x + 2x < -8 + 1$$

$$4x > -\frac{7}{4}$$

$$\text{Solution set is } \left\{ x \mid x > -\frac{7}{4} \right\}$$

**(viii)**  $2\frac{2}{3}x + \frac{2}{3}(5x - 4) > -\frac{1}{3}(8x + 7)$

**Solution:**

$$\frac{8}{3}x + \frac{10}{3}x - \frac{8}{3} > -\frac{8}{3}x - \frac{7}{3}$$

Multiplying by 3

$$8x + 10x - 8 > -8x - 7$$

$$18x - 8 > -8x - 7$$

$$18x + 8x > -7 + 8$$

$$26x > 1$$

$$x > \frac{1}{26}$$

$$\text{Solution set is } \left\{ x \mid x > \frac{1}{26} \right\}$$

**Q2. Solve the following inequalities.**

**(i)**  $-4 < 3x + 5 < 8$

**Solution:**

The given equality represents two inequalities

$$-4 < 3x + 5$$

and

$$3x + 5 < 8$$

The first inequality  $-4 < 3x + 5$  gives

$$-3x < 5 + 4$$

$$3x > -9$$

$$x > -\frac{9}{3}$$

$$x > -3$$

Or

$$-3 < x \quad (i)$$

The second inequality  $3x + 5 < 8$  gives

$$3x < 8 - 5$$

$$\begin{array}{l} 3x < 3 \\ \text{Or } x < 1 \end{array} \quad (ii)$$

Combining (i) and (ii), we have

$$-3 < x < 1$$

Solution set is  $\{x \mid -3 < x < 1\}$

$$(ii) \quad -5 \leq \frac{4-3x}{2} < 1$$

**Solution:**

The given inequality represents two inequalities

$$-5 \leq \frac{4-3x}{2}$$

$$\text{And } \frac{4-3x}{2} < 1$$

The first inequality gives

$$-5 \leq \frac{4-3x}{2}$$

$$-10 \leq 4 - 3x$$

$$-10 - 4 \leq -3x$$

$$14 \geq 3x$$

$$\text{Or } \frac{14}{3} \geq x \quad (i)$$

The second inequality gives  $\frac{4-3x}{2} < 1$

$$\Rightarrow 4 - 3x < 2$$

$$4 - 2 < 3x$$

$$2 < 3x$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2}{3} < x$$

Combining (i) and (ii)

$$\frac{2}{3} < x \leq \frac{14}{3}$$

Solution set is  $\left\{x \mid \frac{2}{3} < x < \frac{14}{3}\right\}$

$$(iii) \quad -6 < \frac{x-2}{4} < 6$$

**Solution:**

This inequality is equivalent to two inequalities

$$-6 < \frac{x-2}{4}$$

$$\text{And } \frac{x-2}{4} < 6$$

The first inequality gives

$$-24 < x - 2$$

$$\Rightarrow -24 + 2 < x$$

$$\Rightarrow -22 < x \quad (i)$$

The second inequality gives

$$x - 2 < 24$$

$$x < 24 + 2$$

$$\text{Or } x < 26 \quad (ii)$$

Combining (i) and (ii) we have

$$-22 < x < 26$$

Solution set is  $\{x \mid -22 < x < 26\}$

$$(iv) \quad 3 \geq \frac{7-x}{2} \geq 1$$

**Solution:**

This inequality represents two inequalities  $3 \geq \frac{7-x}{2}$  and

$\frac{7-x}{2} \geq 1$ . The first inequality gives

$$6 \geq 7 - x$$

$$\Rightarrow 6 - 7 \geq -x$$

$$\Rightarrow -1 \geq -x$$

$$\text{Or } 1 \leq x \quad (i)$$

The second inequality gives

$$7 - x \geq 2$$

$$-x \geq 2 - 7$$

$$\Rightarrow -x \geq -5$$

$$\text{Or } x \leq 5 \quad (ii)$$

Combining (i) and (ii) we have

$$1 \leq x \leq 5$$

$\therefore$  The Solution set is  $\{x \mid 1 \leq x \leq 5\}$

$$(v) \quad 3x - 10 \leq 5 \leq x + 3$$

**Solution:**

The inequality is equivalent to

$$3x - 10 \leq 5$$

$$\text{And } 5 < x + 3$$

The first inequality gives

$$3x - 10 \leq 5$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x \leq 5 + 10$$

$$\text{Or } 3x \leq 15$$

$$\text{Or } x \leq 5 \quad (i)$$

The second inequality gives

$$5 < x + 3$$

$$\text{Or } 5 - 3 < x$$

Or  $2 < x$  (ii)

Combining (i) and (ii) we have

$$2 < x \leq 5$$

the solution set is  $\{x \mid 2 < x \leq 5\}$

(vi)  $-3 \leq \frac{x-4}{-5} < 4$

**Solution:**

This equation is equivalent to

$$-3 \leq \frac{x-4}{-5}$$

And  $\frac{x-4}{-5} < 4$

The first inequality gives

$$-3 \leq \frac{x-4}{-5}$$

$\Rightarrow 15 \geq x - 4$

Or  $15 + 4 \geq x$

$\Rightarrow 19 \geq x$

Or  $x \leq 19$  (i)

This second inequality gives

$$\frac{x-4}{-5} < 4$$

Or  $x - 4 > -20$

$\Rightarrow x > -20 + 4$

Or  $x > -16$

Or  $-16 < x$  (ii)

Combining (i) and (ii) we have

$$-16 < x \leq 19$$

$\therefore$  the solution set is  $\{x \mid -16 < x \leq 19\}$

(vii)  $1 - 2x < 5 - x \leq 25 - 6x$

**Solution:**

This inequality is equivalent to

$$1 - 2x < 5 - x$$

And  $5 - x \leq 25 - 6x$

The first inequality gives

$$1 - 2x < 5 - x$$

Or  $-2x + x < 5 - 1$

Or  $-x < 4$  or  $x > -4$

or  $-4 < x$

The second inequality gives

$$5 - x \leq 25 - 6x$$

(i)

$$\Rightarrow -x + 6 \leq 25 - 5$$

$$\text{Or } 5x \leq 20$$

$$\Rightarrow x \leq 4 \quad (\text{ii})$$

Combining (i) and (ii) we have

$$-4 < x \leq 4$$

$\therefore$  the solution set is  $\{x \mid -4 < x \leq 4\}$

**(viii)**  $3x - 2 < 2x + 1 < 4x + 17$

**Solution:**

This is equivalent to

$$3x - 2 < 2x + 1$$

And  $2x + 1 < 4x + 17$

The first inequality gives

$$3x - 2 < 2x + 1$$

or  $3x - 2x < 1 + 2$

or  $x < 3$

The second inequality gives

$$2x + 1 < 4x + 17$$

$$2x - 4x < 17 - 1$$

or  $-2x > 16$

or  $2x > -16$

or  $x > -8$

or  $-8 < x \quad (\text{ii})$

Combining (i) and (ii) we have

$$-8 < x < 3$$

solution set is  $\{x \mid -8 < x < 3\}$

## REVIEW EXERCISE 7

**Q1. Choose the correct answer.**

**(i) Which of the following is the solution of the inequality  $-4x \leq 11$  ?.....**

(a) -8

(b) -2

(c) -4

(d) None of these

**(ii) A statement involving any of the symbols  $<$ ,  $>$ ,  $\leq$  or  $\geq$  is called .....**

(a) equation

(b) identity

(c) inequality

(d) linear equation

- (iii)  $x = \dots$  is a solution of the inequality  $-2 < x < \frac{3}{2}$
- (a) -5 (b) 3  
(c) 0 (d)  $\frac{3}{2}$
- (iv) If  $x$  is no larger than 10, then.....
- (a)  $x > 8$  (b)  $x < 10$   
(c)  $x < 10$  (d)  $x > 10$
- (v) If the capacity  $c$  of an elevator is at most 1600 pounds, then.....
- (a)  $c < 1600$  (b)  $c > 1600$   
(c)  $c < 1600$  (d)  $c > 1600$
- (vi)  $x = 0$  is a solution of the inequality.....
- (a)  $x > 0$  (b)  $3x + 5 < 0$   
(c)  $x + 2 < 0$  (d)  $x - 2 < 0$

**Answers:**

(i) b	(ii) c	(iii) c	(iv) b	(v) c	(vi) d
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**Q2. Identify the following statements as True or False.**

- (i) The equation  $3x - 5 = 7 - x$  is a linear equation.
- (ii) The equation  $x - 0.3x = 0.7x$  is an identity.
- (iii) The equation  $-2x + 3 = 8$  is equivalent to  $-2x = 11$ .
- (iv) To eliminate fractions, we multiply each side of an equation by the L.C.M. of denominators.
- (v)  $4(x + 3) = x + 3$  is a conditional equation.
- (vi) The equation  $2(3x + 5) = 6x + 12$  is an inconsistent equation.
- (vii) To solve  $\frac{2}{3}x = 1.2$ , we should multiply each side by  $\frac{2}{3}$ .
- (viii) Equations having exactly the same solution are called equivalent equations.
- (ix) A solution that does not satisfy the original equation is called extraneous solution.

**Answers:**

(i) T	(ii) T	(iii) F	(iv) T	(v) T
(vi) T	(vii) F	(viii) T	(ix) T	

**Q3. Answer the following short questions.**

**(i) Define linear inequality in one variable.**

**Solution:**

A linear inequality in one variable  $x$  is an inequality in which the variable  $x$  occurs only to the first power and is of the form

$$ax + b < 0, \quad a \neq 0$$

where  $a$  and  $b$  are equal real numbers.

**(ii) State the Trichotomy and transitive properties of inequalities.**

**Solution:**

**Law of Trichotomy**

For any  $a, b \in R$ , one and only of the statements is true.

$$a < b \quad \text{or} \quad a = b \quad \text{or} \quad a > b$$

**Transitive Property**

Let  $a, b, c \in R$

**(a)** if  $a > b$  and  $b > c$  then  $a > c$

**(b)** if  $a < b$  and  $b < c$  then  $a < c$

**(iii) The formula relating degrees Fahrenheit to degrees Celsius is  $F = \frac{9}{5}C + 32$ . For what value of  $C$  is  $F < 0$ ?**

**Solution:**

$$F = \frac{9}{5}C + 32$$

$$F < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{9}{5}C + 32$$

$$\text{Or } 9C + 160 < 0$$

$$\text{Or } 9C + 160 < 0$$

$$\text{Or } 9C < -160$$

$$\text{Or } C < \frac{-160}{9}$$

**(iv) Seven times, the sum of an integer and 12 is at least 50 and at most 60. Write and solve the inequality that expresses this relationship.**

**Solution:**

Let  $x$  be the integer. So according to the question

$$50 \leq 7(x + 12) \leq 60$$

This is equivalent to two inequalities



$$50 \leq 7(x + 2)$$

And  $7(x + 12) \leq 60$

The first inequality gives

$$50 \leq 7(x + 12)$$

$$50 \leq 7x + 84$$

$$50 - 84 \leq 7x$$

Or  $-34 \leq 7x$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{34}{7} \leq x \quad (i)$$

The second inequality gives

$$7(x + 12) \leq 60$$

$$7x + 84 \leq 60$$

Or  $7x \leq 60 - 84$

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$$\Rightarrow x \leq -\frac{24}{7} \quad (ii)$$

From (i) and (ii) we get

$$-\frac{34}{7} \leq x \leq -\frac{24}{7}$$

the required integer is  $x \mid -\frac{34}{7} \leq x \leq -\frac{24}{7}$

**Q4. Solve each of the following and check for extraneous solution if any:**

(i)  $\sqrt{2t + 4} = \sqrt{t - 1}$

**Solution:**

Squaring both sides

$$2t + 4 = t - 1$$

Or  $2t - t = -1 - 4$

Or  $t = -5$

On checking

$$\sqrt{-10 + 4} = \sqrt{-5 - 1}$$

$$\sqrt{-6} = \sqrt{-6}$$

Since  $\sqrt{-6} = \infty = \text{Imaginary}$

Therefore solution set = { }

(ii)  $\sqrt{3x - 1} - 2\sqrt{8 - 2x} = 0$

**Solution:**

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{3x - 1} = 2\sqrt{8 - 2x}$$

Squaring both sides

$$3x - 1 = 4(8 - 2x)$$

Or  $3x - 1 = 32 - 8x$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Or } 3x + 8x &= 32 + 1 \\ 11x &= 33 \\ \Rightarrow x &= 3\end{aligned}$$

**Check:**

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{3(3-1)} - 2\sqrt{8-2(3)} &= 0 \\ \sqrt{9-1} - 2\sqrt{8-6} &= 0 \\ \sqrt{8} - 2\sqrt{2} &= 0 \\ 2\sqrt{2} - 2\sqrt{2} &= 0\end{aligned}$$

$x = 3$  satisfies the given equation

So the solution set is  $\{3\}$

**Q5. Solve for  $x$**

**(i)**  $|3x + 14| - 2 = 5x$

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Or } |3x + 14| &= 5x + 2 \\ \text{This is equivalent to} \\ 3x + 14 &= \pm(5x + 2)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{i.e. } 3x + 14 &= 5x + 2 & \text{or } 3x + 14 &= -(5x + 2) \\ 3x - 5x &= 2 - 14 & \text{or } 3x + 14 &= -5x - 2 \\ -2x &= -12 & \text{or } 3x + 5x &= -2 - 14 \\ x &= 6 & \text{or } 8x &= -16 \\ x &= 6 & \text{or } x &= -2\end{aligned}$$

On checking we see that  $x = 6$  satisfies the given equation but  $x = -2$  does not satisfy the given equation. So the solution set is  $\{6\}$

**(ii)**  $\frac{1}{3}|x - 3| = \frac{1}{2}|x + 20|$

**Solution:**

Multiplying both sides by 6 we get

$$2|x - 3| = 3|x + 2|$$

This is equivalent to

$$2|x + 3| = \pm 3(x + 2)$$

Which is equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned}2(x - 3) &= 3(x + 2) & \text{or } 2(x - 3) &= -3(x + 2) \\ 2x - 6 &= 3x + 6 & \text{or } 2x - 6 &= -3x - 6 \\ 2x - 3x &= 6 + 6 & \text{or } 2x + 3x &= -6 + 6 \\ -x &= 12 & \text{or } 5x &= 0 \\ x &= -12 & \text{or } x &= 0\end{aligned}$$

On checking  $x = -12$

On checking we see that  $x = 0$  and  $x = -12$  satisfies the given equation.

$\therefore$  solution set is  $\{-12, 0\}$

**Q6. Solve the following inequality**

(i)  $-\frac{1}{3}x + 5 \leq 1$

**Solution:**

Multiplying by 3

$$-x + 15 \leq 3$$

Or  $-x \leq 3 - 15$

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$\Rightarrow x \geq 12$

So the solution set is  $\{x \mid x \geq 12\}$

(ii)  $-3 < \frac{1-2x}{5} < 1$

**Solution:**

This is equivalent to two inequalities

$$-3 < \frac{1-2x}{5}$$

And  $\frac{1-2x}{5} < 1$

The first inequality gives

$$-15 < 1 - 2x$$

$\Rightarrow 2x < 1 + 15$

Or  $2x < 16$

$\Rightarrow x < 8$

The second inequality gives

$$1 - 2x < 5$$

$$-2x < 5 - 1$$

Or  $-2x > 4$

$\Rightarrow -2x > 4$

$\Rightarrow x > -2$

Combining (i) and (ii) we have

$$8 > x > -2$$

Or  $-2 < x < 8$

$\therefore$  solution set is  $\{x \mid 8 > x > -2\}$